

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 3682

<u>In re application of</u>	:	September 21, 2006
Hideo Kimura	:	Examiner: Justin Mitchell Krause
Serial No. : 10/709,929	:	
Filed: June 7, 2004	:	IBM Corporation
Title: POSITIONING STAGE	:	Dept. 18G/Bldg, 321-482
	:	2070 Route 52
	:	Hopewell Junction, NY
	:	12533-6531

Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed June 21, 2006.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.